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For : DEVICE FOR THE IN-SITU DISPOSAL OF  
HEALTH-CARE WASTE, IN PARTICULAR OF  
INCONTINENCE ARTICLES AND METHOD FOR THIS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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In advance of the first office action, please amend the claims as follows: